IN THE CLAIMS

1. (original): A metal chelate compound of Formula (1) or a salt thereof:

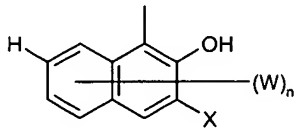
[A-N=N-B] M

Formula (1)

wherein:

A is an optionally substituted pyridyl ring; and

B is of the Formula (2):



Formula (2)

wherein:

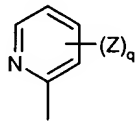
X and W are substituents other than H;

M is a metal chelated to A-N=N-B; and

n is 0 to 4.

2. (original): A compound according to claim 1 wherein :

A is of the Formula (3):



Formula (3)

wherein:

q is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; and

each Z independently is a substituent other than H.

3. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~either~~ claim 1 ~~or 2~~ wherein W, X and Z are each independently selected from CF_3, -OH, -Br, -Cl, -F, -CN, $-NO_2$, phosphoric acid, sulpho, optionally substituted phosphoramide, optionally substituted alkyl, optionally substituted alkoxy, optionally substituted alkenyl, optionally substituted alkynyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted aralkyl, $-SR^1$, $-SO_2R^1$, $-SO_2NR^2R^3$, $-SOR^1$, $-OR^1$, $-C(O)R^1$, $-C(O)OR^1$, $-C(O)NR^2R^3$, $-NR^2R^3$ or $-NHCOR^1$, wherein R^1, R^2 and R^3 are each independently H, optionally substituted alkyl, optionally substituted alkenyl, optionally substituted alkynyl, optionally substituted aryl or optionally substituted aralkyl.

4. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein Z is selected from -SH, carboxy, cyano, halo, nitro, C_{1-6}-alkoxy or C_{1-4}-alkyl, optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, halo or cyano group(s).

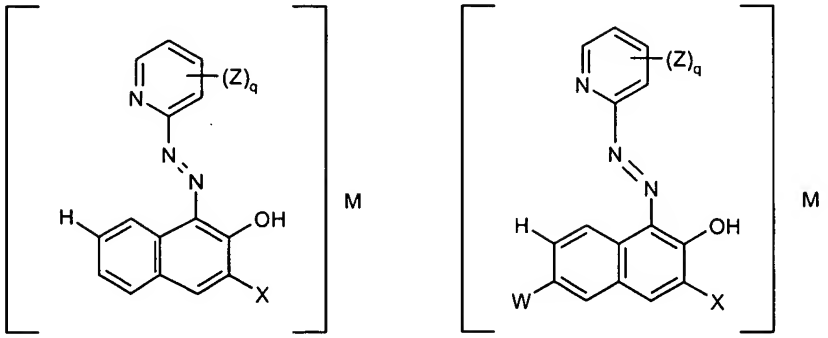
5. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein W and X are each independently selected from sulpho, sulphonamido, carboxy, carbonamide, halogen, nitro and cyano groups.

6. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein in the metal chelate compound of Formula (1) A-N=N-B is chelated to M in the ratio 1:1 or 2:1 respectively.

7. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein M is nickel, chromium, cobalt, copper, zinc, iron or manganese.

8. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein M is nickel.

9. (original): A metal chelate compound according to claim 1 of Formula (4a) or (4b) or a salt thereof:

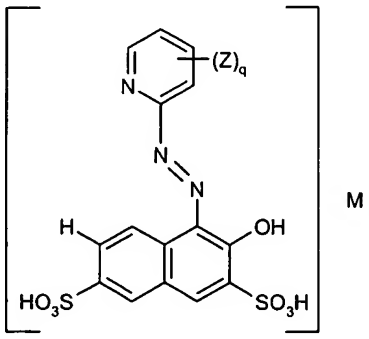


Formula (4a) Formula (4b)

wherein:

M	is nickel, chelated to the group shown in square brackets; and
X and W	are selected from sulpho, sulphonamido, carboxy, carbonamide, halogen, nitro and cyano groups;
q	is 0, 1 or 2; and
Z	is selected from cyano, C_{1-4}-alkyl, carboxy, nitro, halo and C_{1-6}-alkoxy groups.

10. (currently amended): A compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 of Formula (5) or a salt thereof:



Formula (5)

wherein:

M	is nickel, chelated to the group shown in square brackets; and
q	is 0, 1 or 2; and
Z	is selected from cyano, C_{1-4}-alkyl, carboxy, nitro, halo and C_{1-6}-alkoxy groups.

11. (currently amended): A composition comprising:
(a) one or more compound(s) according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1; and
(b) one or more water-soluble dye(s) other than a compound according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ (a).

12. (currently amended): An ink comprising:
(a) a compound according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 10~~ claim 1, or a composition according to claim 11; and
(b) a liquid medium.

13. (original): A process for printing an image on a substrate comprising applying thereto by means of an ink jet printer an ink according to claim 12.

14. (currently amended): A substrate printed with an ink according to claim 11 ~~or by means of the process according to claim 13~~.

15. (original): An ink jet printer cartridge comprising a chamber and ink, wherein the ink is present in the chamber and the ink is as defined in claim 12.

16. (original): An ink jet printer containing an ink jet printer cartridge, wherein the ink jet printer cartridge is as defined in claim 15.

17. (new): A substrate printed by means of the process according to claim 13.